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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

As a longtime homeowner, I've experienced several different phone/internet carriers, thanks to competition allowed by the FCC. This competition is crucial! I now enjoy a fiber connection by Sonic that was aided by Sonic being able to use AT&T's copper line. I used Sonic's DSL, over AT&T copper wire, for over five years, which was a great experience. But fiber is a completely different experience and I hope more Americans will be able to enjoy it. Fiber-level broadband is crucial to keep America competitive. Less competition means more price hikes and less innovation. Thank you.

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